



Regular Meeting
of the
San José
All Children Achieve Committee
held
November 9, 2006 at 1:30 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: Chair Ken Yeager, Vice Chair Judy Chirco, Member Nancy Pyle, Mark Linder, Barbara Jordan, Emily Moody

The meeting was convened at 1:35 p.m.

a. **Annual Report on Library Usage (Library) [Deferred from October 12, 2006]**

Jane Light, Library Director, presented the report. Jane discussed the accomplishments of the San José Public Library in fiscal year 2005-06. These included increase in circulation of materials, funding from the Library Parcel Tax, improved technology in the libraries. Jane also spoke of multiple awards the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library had received. Jane also reported on the success the Library has had with its early care and literacy programs.

Motion: Accept the report.

Moved by Councilmember Nancy Pyle, seconded by Vice Chair Judy Chirco.

b. **Update on Youth Priorities (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)
[Deferred from June 8, 2006] [Request deferral to February, 2007]**

c. **San José's After School Program Annual Update (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)**

Neil Rufino, Assistant to the Director, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, presented the report. Neil reported that Proposition 49 was passed. It also increased the per cap amount per site to \$112,500 for elementary schools and \$150,000 for middle schools. Neil stated that because of the amount of money that each school site will receive from the State, the department will be able to recapture the General Fund money that was originally allocated to these school sites and the disposition of the money will be decided in the 2007-08 budget process.

Motion: Accept the report.

Moved by Councilmember Nancy Pyle, seconded by Vice Chair Judy Chirco.

d. **San José's High School Initiative Update (Mayor's Office) [Deferred from October 12, 2006]**

The report was presented by Emily Moody and Javier Quezada, both from the Mayor's Office. They reported on a stakeholder meeting the Mayor held to discuss specific challenges affecting high schools. They identified three crucial areas which included parent involvement, college and career counseling, and truancy.

Motion: Accept the report.

Moved by Vice Chair Chirco, seconded by Councilmember Pyle.

e. **Report from the San José Education Foundation (Mayor's Office) [Request deferral to December, 2006]**

f. **Review of Relevant Legislative Priorities (City Manager's Office)**

The report was presented by Betsy Shotwell, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, City Manager's Office, Deanna Santana, Deputy City Manager, and Leslye Krutko, Housing Director. Betsy presented the draft 2007 legislative guidelines. Betsy stated they will go before all other Council Committees to present the draft guidelines and gather more feedback before presenting the document to Council in early 2007. Deputy City Manager Deanna Santana discussed the contents of the guiding principles. She presented the specific legislative guiding principles that are most relevant to the All Children Achieve Committee. Chair Yeager commented that the statements were rather broad, but also recognized that the document still has to be refined some more.

Motion: Accept the report with direction for staff to return to the Committee in December with more narrowed language and also to review this document with other Boards and Commissions, such as the Library Commission, once the document is finalized.

Moved by Councilmember Nancy Pyle, seconded by Vice Chair Judy Chirco.

g. **Report from the Youth Commission (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)**

The report was presented by Betty Montoya, Parks and Recreation and Neighborhood Services. Betty reported the Youth Commission has identified some items that they would like to change to make recruitment for the Youth Commission more youth-friendly. These items were 1) change the bylaws to have a Youth Commissioner serve two years with an opportunity to serve a second two-year term. Currently, Youth Commissioners serve a three-year term; 2) Change the expiration of the term to end in June when it used to be in October. This will now allow the term to occur at the same

time as the school year ends and graduation occurs; 3) Recruitment will begin in the spring. This would allow the Youth Commission term to parallel the school year; 4) The Youth Commission terms will correspond to the Council Districts and Mayor's terms; allowing for staggering terms that will ensure a balance of new and experienced commissioners; and 5) A new application form will be used to enhance the selection process for the Youth Commission.

Motion: Accept the report with direction that Senior Deputy City Attorney Barbara Jordan check if the City Municipal Code needs to be revised to reflect these changes specific to the Youth Commission.

Moved by Councilmember Nancy Pyle, seconded by Vice Chair Judy Chirco.

h. Oral Petitions

Chair Yeager stated that this was his last Committee meeting after serving as Chair for four years. He will miss the December meeting as he will be sworn in as a County Supervisor on December 12. Vice Chair Chirco and Councilmember Pyle both thanked Chair Yeager.

i. Adjournment

Adjourned at 3:08 pm.

By:

Ken Yeager
Chair, All Children Achieve Committee

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